

# Minneapolis



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Federal Communications Commission  
455 12th St. SW  
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Dear Commissioners:

The Minneapolis Regional Labor Federation represents 175 affiliated unions representing 90,000 organized workers in Minneapolis and the West Metro area. Our mission is to organize in the community for social and economic justice for all working people.

We write in support of the merger between AT&T and Direct TV. We support the merger because AT&T supports workers' right to organize and the merger will mean 10,000 more American workers with union protections.

Further, the merger is between two companies who currently operate in different markets. Combined they will be able to better compete with a consolidating telecommunications marketplace. This competition will continue to allow consumers choices.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bill McCarthy, President  
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